

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1. The County will provide strong support for the targeted recruitment of manufacturing and non-manufacturing business and industry with an emphasis on quality job creation and diversified tax base growth and to provide opportunities for the transformation of and retention of current Catawba County job providers.
 - a. The County will provide an environment conducive for long-term economic growth in the County through proper planning and implementation of infrastructure, development, planning, and fiscal management.
 - b. The County will continue to be the largest supporter of the Catawba County Economic Development Corporation, whose responsibilities are to maintain a solid base of existing industry, to grow the number of jobs and widen the tax base by recruiting new manufacturing and non-manufacturing business and industry into Catawba County.
 - c. The County will work to implement recommendations as suggested by the FORESIGHT Committee.
 - d. The County will continue support of the Hickory Metro Higher Education Center.
2. Adopt new zoning and subdivision regulations through a Unified Development Ordinance that reflects the Small Area Plans.
3. In order to improve economic development, service delivery, quality of life, and successfully lobby to achieve needed legislation, continue to develop and foster strong intergovernmental relationships with municipal and school elected officials, State, and Federal elected officials, regional elected officials, and business community
4. Develop a theme to be used all year in public information that focuses on customer service. Develop rewards and recognition system to honor departments and individuals who demonstrate exemplary customer service.

Adopted by the Board of Commissioners on November 17, 2003.

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Organization: 110050

	2002/03 Actual	2003/04 Current	2004/05 Requested	2004/05 Approved	Percent Change
Revenue					
General Fund	\$207,532	\$195,335	\$246,258	\$246,258	26%
Total	\$207,532	\$195,335	\$246,258	\$246,258	26%
Expenses					
Personal Services	\$4,040	\$4,335	\$4,608	\$4,608	6%
Supplies & Operations	203,492	191,000	241,650	241,650	27%
Total	\$207,532	\$195,335	\$246,258	\$246,258	26%

Significant Changes:

Funds are included for half the costs associated with the hiring of the Federal Lobbyist. The remaining costs will be funded by the City of Hickory.